HOUSE BILL 1781

By West

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 36, Chapter 3; Title 39; Title 40, Chapter 35; Title 45; Title 57; Title 58, Chapter 1 and Title 58, Chapter 2, relative to weapons.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

§ 39-17-13___.

- (a) Notwithstanding any other law or rule to the contrary, no applicant for a handgun carry permit issued pursuant to § 39-17-1351, shall be required to furnish to the department or an instructor or employee of a department approved handgun safety course any of the following information concerning any handgun the applicant owns, possesses or uses during the safety course:
 - (1) The serial number;
 - (2) Model number;
 - (3) Manufacturer or make;
 - (4) Type (revolver or semi-automatic);
 - (5) Caliber; or
 - (6) Whether the applicant owns the handgun used for the safety course.
- (b) The only information that an applicant shall be required to furnish the department or a department approved handgun safety course in order to apply for and be issued a handgun carry permit is the application information required in § 39-17-1351(c).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1361, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

§ 39-17-1361.

- (a) The sheriff or chief of police of the city of residence of a person purchasing any firearm, silencer, or other item registered under the National Firearms Act, 26 USC § 5801 et seq., shall execute within fifteen (15) business days of any request all documents required to be submitted by the purchaser if the purchaser is not prohibited from possessing firearms pursuant to § 39-17-1316.
- (b) Any person who knowingly fails to comply with this section commits a Class B misdemeanor, punishable only by a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500). Each day that a person knowingly fails to comply with the requirements of this section constitutes a separate offense.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.

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